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SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN-USSR AGREEMENT ON OIL SHIPMENTS TO CUBA

REFERENCE: MOSCOW 19622

ITALY IS NOT A MAJOR CUSTOMER FOR VENEZUELAN CRUDES,  
ABSORBING ONLY 574 THOUSAND M.T. IN 1975. THE USSR, ON THE  
OTHER HAND, IS A SUBSTANTIAL SUPPLIER OF CRUDE; IN 1975,  
3.35 MILLION M.T. DESPITE PRESSURE EXERTED BY VENEZUELAN  
PRESIDENT PEREZ DURING RECENT VISIT THAT ITALY SHOULD BUY  
MORE VENEZUELAN CRUDE, SUBSTITUTING USSR CRUDE FOR VENEZUELAN  
CRUDES (ORIGINALLY DESTINED FOR ITALY, BUT RE-ROUTED TO CUBA  
REPLACING USSR SHIPMENTS) WOULD MAKE SENSE ECONOMICALLY.  
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